

Proposed Recipient: Cyber Security Research Initiative at Armstrong

Address of Recipient: 11935 Abercorn Street, Savannah, GA 31419

Amount of Request: \$457,000

Explanation of Request

Purpose: The goal of the Cyber Security Initiative is to provide subject matter expertise to students in cyber and homeland security-related issues as they related to academic curriculum, training and special research and development projects.

Why is it a good use of Taxpayer funds: Development of a university level cyber security program is a critical need according to the Commission on Cyber Security for the 44th Presidency. A university level program is needed to produce advanced cyber-professionals with both the theoretical and practical knowledge needed to protect our nation's cyber infrastructure. Although the Cyber Security Research Institute is also funded through state and private sources, this project addresses a specific Federal need, which has been described as our nations greatest vulnerability. CSRI training program will address critical needs outside of GA, including the use of video classroom technology to broadcast training seminars, and has developed training programs for FLETC and the US military.